

OPINION 1889

Parapronoe crustulum Claus, 1879 (Crustacea, Amphipoda): specific name conserved

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *rapax* Milne-Edwards, 1830, as published in the binomen *Typhis rapax*, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy.
- (2) The name *crustulum* Claus, 1879, as published in the binomen *Parapronoe crustulum*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *rapax* Milne-Edwards, 1830, as published in the binomen *Typhis rapax* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2992

An application for the conservation of the specific name of *Parapronoe crustulum* Claus, 1879 was received from Dr Wolfgang Zeidler (*South Australian Museum, Adelaide, Australia*) on 4 July 1995. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 53: 178–181 (September 1996). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Further information relevant to the application was supplied by the author in BZN 54: 47 (March 1997). A note of support from Prof L.B. Holthuis (*Nationaal Natuurhistorisch Museum, Leiden, The Netherlands*) was published at the same time.

Decision of the Commission

On 10 September 1997 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 53: 179. At the close of the voting period on 10 December 1997 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 24: Bock, Brothers, Cocks, Cogger, Dupuis, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kabata, Kerzhner, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Papp, Patterson, Savage, Schuster, Song, Štys

Negative votes — 1: Bouchet.

Ride was on leave of absence.

Bouchet commented: 'I admit that using *rapax* in a sense different from the currently accepted one would be destabilising but I oppose the suppression of the name. A more elegant solution to the problem would have been the designation of type material (if any exists) of *Hemityphis tenuimanus* Claus, 1879 as the neotype of *rapax*'.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

crustulum, *Paraprone*, Clans, 1879, *Arbeiten aus dem Zoologischen Institut der Universität zu Wien*, **2**: 31.

rapax, *Typhis*, Milne-Edwards, 1830, *Annales des Sciences Naturelles*, **20**: 395.

The following is the reference for the designation of the lectotype of *Typhis rapax* Milne-Edwards, 1830:

Zeidler, W. 1996. *Crustaceana*, **69**(6): 737.